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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

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Re: Application of Heinz FOCKE, Heido SPORING and Martin STILLER
METHOD OF, AND APPARATUS FOR, PRODUCING (CIGARETTE) PACKS
Assignee: FOCKE & CO. (GmbH & Co. KG)
Our Ref: Q-80960

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including eleven (11) pages of specification including twelve (12) claims, an Abstract of the Disclosure, five (5) sheets of formal drawing, Preliminary Amendment and the certified priority document. **The filing fee, together with the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney, will be submitted at a later date with the other required fees.**

Priority is claimed from April 17, 2003, based on German Application No. 103 18 055.9.

Respectfully submitted,

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